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SUBJ: SIERRA LEONE FOREIGN MINISTER TO VISIT EGYPT

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1. FOREIGN MINISTER FRANCIS MINANILEFT FREETOWN DEC 5 FOR WHAT HE CALLED A "WEEK-LONG" VISIT TO CAIRO. MINAH FOLLOWS ON THE HEELS OF SENIOR FORECON MINISTRY OFFICIALS CHARLES WYSE WHO APPARENTLY HAS SPENT MUCH OF MONTH OF NOVEMBER IN CAIRO.

2. EMBASSY IS UNCERTAIN PURPOSE OF MINAH VISIT. PROLONGED VISIT OF WYSE, FOLLOWED BY MINAH, HAS RAISED SPECULATION THAT VISITS MAY BE RELATED TO RE-SURRECTION ABORTED PLANS FOR VISIT TO CAIRO BY PRESIDENT STEVENS OR PERHAPS IS PART OF STILL FRUSTRATED CONTINUING EFFORT BY GOSL TO GET ARAB DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT (REFTEL).

3. EMBASSY ALSO HAS PICKED UP INTERESTING RUMOR THAT GOSL AMBASSADOR TO CAIRO REPORTEDLY HAS POCKETED SOME DOLS300,000 SENT HIM TO BUY OFFICIAL RESIDENCE, HAS LOCKED WYSE OUT OF CHANCERY, AND IS SEEKING POLITICAL ASYLUM.
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